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25X1 1. USIA exports are now based on an exchange rate of 40 Austrian schillings to the dollar and corresponding rates for other currencies; these rates tend to make USIA products much more readily saleable in the West.

25X1 2. USIA is buying up all available dollar and sterling currency; this will be sent direct to Russia.

25X1 3. The following deals were carried out by, and on behalf of USIA

## Goods Purchased

Diesel motors

Ethyl xanthate

Couplings and  
laminas

Cone wheel

## Buying Firm

Mannesmann-Traulz A.G.

Central Commercial  
Bureau of USIA

Leobersdorfer  
Maschinenfabrik A.G.

J.M. Voith

25X1 4. The firm M. Weinbaum & Co. of Vienna I, Schottenring 15, acting on behalf of USIA, has just imported 300 tons of lead the goods were marked, in the normal way, as in transit; on their arrival in Vienna, Juschmeschtrans informed the main customs office that it would assume further transport, redeemed the goods and passed them over to USIA,

25X1 5. Schenker & Co., acting on behalf of Juschmeschtrans and USIA, is shipping 150 tons of aluminum bars

6. Director Punin, commercial manager of the Avtovelo Department of USIA, is attempting to sell the entire stock of the Hirtenberger Patronenfabrik consisting of

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10,166,850 assorted cartridges. The reason for this is that the Soviet Military Bank is demanding the repayment of a debt by the factory amounting to 200,000 Austrian schillings.

7. The Commercial Bureau of USIA is offering for sale large quantities of the following articles: conveyor belts (pure rubber), Widia steel foil, grinding and boring machines, electromotors, lathes, screws, caustic soda, electric meters, cellulose, amperemeters, sodium sulphate, ferro-silicon, railway trackage and paper of various types.

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